



# Update: Preparing for the Next Influenza Pandemic

Satellite Broadcast with Live Q&A

Thursday, July 13, 2000\*

7:00 - 9:00 AM Hawai'i Standard Time



More than 20 million people died worldwide from the previously unknown strain of influenza now called the 1918 "Spanish Flu." New strains of influenza arise periodically through genetic mutation. Because the public doesn't have protective antibodies against the new influenza antigens, pandemic disease occurs in all age groups. Widespread morbidity and social disruption become possible. In the 20<sup>th</sup> century, influenza pandemics occurred in 1918, 1957, 1968, and 1977. Epidemiologists agree that another dangerous new strain of the influenza virus will likely emerge. In an effort to lessen the chaos that could result, public health experts from federal, state, and local agencies have developed state and local guidelines to prepare for a pandemic and its anticipated effects, including vaccine shortages and disruptions to social and community services. This live, interactive satellite broadcast will update local, state and national plans, describe the integration of local, state and federal partners in pandemic influenza planning. The course will also include information on antiviral drug use, triage, and infection control measures.

## Objectives

After participation in this satellite broadcast, viewers will be able to:

- Identify the rationale for influenza pandemic preparedness
- List the five components of the guidelines for influenza pandemic preparedness
- Identify methods for initiating influenza pandemic preparedness planning

## Target Audience

State and local health officers; state and local epidemiologists; federal, state, and local emergency preparedness planners; immunization program managers; physician and health care organizations; laboratory managers; public information officers; pharmacists; hospital infection control practitioners; members of the media; and funeral directors.

## Faculty

**William L. Atkinson, MD, MPH and Raymond A. Strikas, MD,**  
Medical Epidemiologists, National Immunization Program,  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

## Continuing Education Credit

Continuing education credits (CME, CNE, CEU) will be offered for a variety of professions, based on 2 hours of instruction.

## Registration & Materials--Deadline July 7, 2000.

This course is being offered **FREE OF CHARGE**.

Materials will be provided, including the revised edition of the text, *Pandemic Influenza, A Planning Guide for State and Local Officials*.

To register, fill out the form below. Mail or fax form to Tim Helton, Hawaii Immunization Program, 1250 Punchbowl Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Honolulu, HI 96813. Fax number is (808) 586-8302.

Confirmations will be faxed by July 10, including final details, exact site addresses, and facility maps. Please call after July 10 if you have not received confirmation of registration.

If you have any questions, please call Tim Helton at 586-8320 or (800) 933-4832.

If you have telemedicine or satellite downlink capabilities, and you would like to host this broadcast at your organization, please contact Tim for further information.

**For immunization information, visit the web site for the National Immunization Program at [www.cdc.gov/nip](http://www.cdc.gov/nip).**

**For information about other satellite broadcasts, visit the web site for the Public Health Training Network at [www.cdc.gov/phtn](http://www.cdc.gov/phtn).**

Please complete all information below, mark your site choice, and submit to above address by July 7, 2000.

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☐ DOH Kinau Hale, Downtown Honolulu

☐ State Lab, Pearl City

☐ Hawai'i State Hospital, Kane'ohe

☐ Shriner's Hospital, Punahou

☐ Maui Community College

☐ DOH Environ Sci Bldg, Hilo

☐ Kapa'a Middle School, Kaua'i

☐ Kona Community Hospital\*

\*Kona will not show the live broadcast on the above date/time. Kona will show a videotape approximately 1 week later. Special confirmations will be sent, listing the exact date/time and contact info.